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PATENT

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In re the application of:

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FOR: CHIPPING RESISTANCE-IMPARTING AQUEOUS DISPERSION COMPOSITION

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The Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the herewith filed application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3 and 6 as follows, a marked-up copy of these claims is attached:

Claim 3 (Amended) The chipping resistance-imparting aqueous dispersion composition as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a nitrogen compound (c) represented by the following formula (I) in an amount of 01 to 30 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the plefin thermoplastic elastomer (a),